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MANN SOUNDS **WARNING TO** JOY RIDERS

Has No Sympathy with Americans Who Would Ride on Armed Ships, Perhaps Involving Nation in War.

WOULD LET WILSON ALONE

Not Inclined to Interfere with President in Discharge of His Constitutional Duties.

GRAVE QUESTION TO CONSIDER

WASHINGTON, March 6 .- The house resounded wih cheers when Mr. Mann took the floor today and assailed Americans who might involve the country in war by traveling on armed ships.

"I hope our citizens never will be put to the test of having to fight because some fool has involved us by entering upon a "joy ride," he shouted.

When Representative Gardner declared there should be a clear vote on the subject Republican Leader Mann announced that he was against bringing the matter up in the house at all.

"I have believed," said Mr. Mann, "in letting the house attend to its constitutional duties and letting the president attend to his constitutional

duties." "The gentleman from Massachusetts, Mr. Gardner," said Republican Leader Mann, "has charged that the memberhip of the house in this matter has been actuated, first by partisan reasons, and second by fear of the votes at home. The gentleman from Massachusetts is entitled to speak for himself, but not for any one else on either side of this house. This is men of this house to be actuated by base motives as suggested by the gentleman from Massachusetts."

Bryan at Luncheon. quarters today at a botel almost under the shadow of the caritol, and conferred at luncheon with many congressmen who

are rated as Bryan men. Mr. Bryan insisted that the luncheon was only a "friendly gathering." Representative Balley's view at the same time was that it was "a meeting of those opposed to preparedness and armed ships." He was especially emphatic in his dec laration that no "conspiracy" was on

"I won't say that I shall not discuss warning American citizens against taking passage on armed ships," Mr. Bryan said, "but I will say that I have said nothing about it thus far."

Would Stand by President.

Representative Flood, chairman of the foreign affairs committee told the house that the issue was broader than any question of warning people off ships or of procedure and precedents. It was a question, he declared, of whether when the president is engaged in a diplomatic pegotiation with a foreign government, we should stand with our president, or with a foreign power, whether we stand with America, or with the government

with which America to negotiating."
"When the time comes to act tomorrow," Mr. Flood added, "I hope that every patriotic congressman, and I think every member of this house is patriotic will be found standing behind the prest dent, Woodrow Wilson."

Mr. Flood said the talk in the house about a warning resolution had been circulated through the newspapers and it had gone abroad that the house was in favor of the McLemore resolution. "The fact that his information got to the capital at Berlin," he sald, "stopped the negotiations with Germany and hampered President Wilson, balked him, and left him in a situation where not to act would be worse than anything else. It (Continued on Page Two, Column Two.)

The Weather

For Nebraska-Pair and colder cast and central portions. For Iowa-Partly cloudy and colder; generally fair: fresh to strong northwest

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WILSON NAMES NEW SECRETARY OF WAR.



BAKER APPOINTED SECRETARY OF WAR

* Newton C. Baker *

Former Mayor of Cleveland Will Take Vacant Post in President's Official Council.

CLOSE FRIEND OF EXECUTIVE

WASHINGTON, March 6 .- Newton C. Baker, former mayor of Clevetoo grave a question for the patriotic land has been selected by President roads. The American Railway associa-Wilson for secretary of war, Mr. Baker's name had been mentioned in con-William Jennings Bryan made his head- times. He was offered a place roads deliver to them. when the cabinet was formed, but declined.

> Mr. Baker has accepted the position and is now arranging his affairs in Cleveland preparatory to coming to Washington to take up his duties.

The selection of Mr. Baker is un-President Wilson with Colonel E. M. resentatives Lobeck and Kinkaid were House soon after the latter's arrival here this morning.

The nomination of Newton D. Baker of Seven Members of Cleveland as secretary of war will be sent to the senate by President Wilson ington on Thursday for a conference with the president. Prompt action on the naminstion is expected in the senate.

Offered Place Earlier. When President Wilson was making up his calinet in 1913 he offered the place of secretary of the interior to Mr. Baker. Mr. Baker was then mayor of Cleveland and declined for that reason. The president and Mr. Baker have been Continued on Page Two, Column One.)

Francis of Missouri Goes to Russia as American Ambassador

WASHINGTON, March 6.—President Wilson's nomination of David R. Francis of Missouri to be ambassador to Russia was confirmed today by the senate a few hours after it had been received. At the same time Joseph H. Shea of Indiana was confirmed as ambassador to Chile. Mr. Francis, who served as seretary of the interior under President Cleveland, will succeed George T. Marye at Petrograd. Mr. Marye recently resigned, saying the Russian climate was undermining his health. The ambassadorship is considered particularly important by President Wilson because of the additional duties thrust upon the embassy by the war, including the care of the interests of the central powers.

Troops Watching for Villa, Who is Headed for Border

EL PASO, Tex., March 6.-General Gabriel Gavira, commandant at Juarez announced today that he had requested Brigadier General John J. Pershing at El Paso to have American troops was of El Paso keep a sharp lookout for Francisco Villa. Gavira expressed the opinion that Villa was headed toward the border with intention of seeking refuge in the United States.

Guttery and Wife Have Left Norfolk

NORFOLK. Neb., March 6,-(Special Telegram.)-Dr. W. D. Guttery, deposed superintendent of the state hospital for insanc at Norfolk, left the institution Sunday morning, it was learned today He and Mrs. Guttery are understood to have returned to their former home at Pilger. Their household goods had been packed several days ready for immediate

KING REX ON THE THRONE AND NONE DISPUTE RIGHTS

NEW ORLEANS, March 6.-Rex, king of the Mardi Gras, took his throne and ruler of New Orleans' annual fete. The ceremony included a parade of guily decorated vessels, which accomanled the royal yacht, and a street parada, in which military organizations unrines and sallors from the battleship cutucky particionted.

NEBRASKA SOLONS

Democration of State Dele-

(From a Staff Correspondent.) WASHINGTON, March 6 - (Special Telegram.)-The democratic members of the Nebraska delegation were present at a dinner today given by Representative WOULD BE SUPERIOR TO GERMAN Warren North Balley of Pennsylvania in henor of former Secretary of State Wil- With Three Dreadnanghts and Seven liam Jennings Bryan. Some twenty legislators were present, including Senator Vardaman and Representatives Sisson, Hawley, Hardy and Connolly of Kansas. The commodore made no set speech, but told the "boys" that he was against an increase of both the army and the navy and that he was in favor of a simple resclution of warning to all Americans not to sail upon boats carrying guns.

Postmasters Nomfunted. pel Hinkle, Havelock; Cect'ia M. Coleman, Newcastle: Frank Waworth, Ellwood: J. H. Grosvenor, Aurora; J. B. Beaver City: J. W. Henthorn, Blue Springs.

Submit Bids on Cattle,

state and the railway commission before the Interstate Commerce commiswhich has instituted an inquiry as and car congestion in the east. Mr. Slean took part in the examination of sion, the principal witness being Howard Elliott, president of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad.

From the evidence it developed that a great many of the box cars owned by the 'granger roads' were held in the east to the disadvantage of the western tion concedes the charge and today it developed that the eastern reads had and lieutenant commanders to the renection with the position several scent more box cars than the western work abroad as instructors in military

Sloan Before Commission. ommission in the moreing as to the Nesion undoubtedly grew out of his bill to compel the roads to lift the embargo on rail shipments and requiring them to derstood to have been discussed by furnish facilities for transportation. Rep-

One Family Slain

LAWTON, Okl., March 6.-Seven menbers of the family of Dan O'Kane, a ome twelve miles southwest of Lawto O'Kane himself lay beside the body of his father, probably fatally hurt. A negro hired man discovered the bodies. The murderer had used a razor, a hammer and a rifle. These were found on the floor. Near by was a basin of water crimsoned with blood.

Those who were killed were: O'Kane's wife, an infant, four children, ranging from 4 to 10 years of age, and O'Kane's aged father. The children were found in bed. Their

throats had been sinsped and their beads crushed. Mrs. O'Kane, the baby and the aged father were shot to death. O'Kane lay on the floor beside his razor and hammer were found near him. O'Kane formerly was employed by the government to care for the cattle of Apache prisoners of war.

George F. Dickman, Treasurer of State

of the state fair and for thirty-five years per cent in the south and 23.8 per cent a resident of this place, died this after- the west. noon, following two paralytic strokes earlier in the day.

He was engaged in the implement busi- Big Powder Plant ness here for eight years. He leaves a

Mr. Dickman was apparently in good health until today.

CLEANING UP JAIL AND TWO PRISONERS BURN TO DEATH

the jail, many of whom are infirm.

NAVY OF UNCLE AT BRYAN DY CTION SAM NOT SO BAD, SAYS FLETCHER

ABOUT TWENTY IN ATTENDANCE Three Dreadnaughts and Four Cruisers Added and American Fleet Would Be Ready to Meet Any of Them.

Cruisers Both Coasts Could Be Defended Against Enemy.

REPORT TO HOUSE COMMITTEE

WASHINGTON, March 6 .- Three dreadnaughts and four battle cruisers added to the American fleet. built and authorized, would make it Following Nebraska postmasters were the equal in fighting strength of the nominated by the president today: Sam- present German fleet, Admiral the equal in fighting strength of the Fletcher, commander of the Atlantic fleet, asserted today before the house naval committee.

While Germany has seven battle cruisers and the United States none, Thomas Donahue and Guy L. Axtell of the admiral said, the thirty-fve-knot South Omaha are in Washington for the purpose of submitting bids on cattle desired by the Indian office for the fiscal ment would be so much superior to tnything now afloat that four of Representative Sloan, upon request of them, possibly three, would more the State Railway commission of Ne-braska, appeared today on behalf of the With the present fleet of forty-two battleships of all types, three additional dreadnaughts and seven battle cruisers. to charges of car shortage in the west Admiral Fletcher thought, 'we co.ld reasonably expect to make a good defense, although not an absolute one," of witnesses appearing before the commistwo enemy powers that did not include Great Britain. The admirae said that he and a ma-

jority of the higher officers of the navy disapproved the personnel board proposal to subscribe promotion by election by the seniority system. He said that if the per cent of the captains, commanders agreed to give the western roads 20 per serve list, employing them in consular schools, or on other work for the government, the way for promotion of efticient officers would be open without ad-Congressman Sloan will address, the ditional expense. The present system of selection for high commands and bureau branka situation. His selection as the heads he said provides a sure way of representative of the railway commis-Admiral Fleicher thought that the training and education of all navy officers was so nearly identical that to make selection among the officers in any grade of those qualified for promotion, as prowas little to choose among 30 per cen of the men in any grade, he added, all being required to be experts in many subjects, such as seamanship, gunnery. Near Lawton, Okl. knowledge of international law beyond that of the average lawyer. As a natural process, he explained, they now spe cialized along the line to which they felt the most attraction and were appointed farmer, were found murdered in their to posts that would get the best results for the navy from that study,

Operating Income of the Ralroads Shows an Increase

CHICAGO, March 6 .- Net operating inome of the railways of the United States or December, 1915, Increased \$180 per mile, or \$2.3 per cent, as compared with December, 1914, according to a statement saued today by the Bureau of Rallway Economics. This comparison, however is between the highest and lowest Deces father, a builet in his head. The rifle, ber in six years, A comparison of Decomber, 1915, with the average December of the preceding five years shows an in-

crease of 39.6 per cent. Total operating revenues, according to the statement, amounted to \$257,367,343. an increase over 1914 of \$61,652,525 Operating expenses were \$153.883,296, an

ncrease of \$17,498,777. Net operating revnue amounted to \$103,454,947, an increase of \$40,502,748.

Fair, Meets Death the six months of the current fiscal year, empared with the same period of last SEWARD, Neb., March 6 .- (Special Tel- | year, show operating income per uffle egram.)-George F. Dickman, treasurer increased 51.2 per cent in theeast, 43.5

is Threatened by Sparks from Hay

PINOLE, Cal., March 6.-Three hay and EL PASO, March 6.-Two persons were from the Hercules Powder company plant. Nebraska have paid a well merited tribute surned to death and a score of others, were destroyed by fire early today with all prisoners of the city fall here, are a loss estimated at \$100,000. Sparks fell (Continued on Page Two, Column Four.) bably fatally burned as the result of on the powder plant and the Hercules used in a disinfection bath being adminal aid in fighting the blase. The fire was a flash of flame from the solution being company's fire department was sent to stered to a large number of inmates of said to have been started by tramps sleeping in a hay mow.

Tales of Marital Woes Are Too Much for Chicago Bachelor Judge

CHICAGO, Ill., March 6.-To save mists of sentiment and poetry." Judge me of his shattered ideals of matri- Hopkins said. "I believed there was still John R. Newcomer, a married man.

nd announced the new assignment. Once I viewed marriages through rosy of my ideals."

mony Judge Jacob M. Hopkins, a bache- in the world love that endured from the tor, was transferred today from the altar to the grave. In the court of beach of the Chicago court of domestic domestic relations my ideals died one by relations, being succeeded by Judge one. Day after day I listened to nothing and merchantable coal under the mine but the serrows and tragedies of mar-For the last six months Judge Hop- ried couples; to sordid tales of wife kins has listened from his place on the beatings, disloyel husbands, treacherous ern Pennsylvania operators will pay their bench to the marital wees of the city, wives, love drowned in wine, love whose but recently he told friends he could requiem was the fox-trot music of the stand it no longer. And to avert what cabaret. I began to wonder whether any seemed to be an impending tragedy to a such thing as marital happiness existed achelor soul Cutef Justice Harry Olson on earth. So I asked to be transferred compiled with Judge Hopkins request it was a last desperate measure of seifdefense-a measure to save at least some

PORTRAIT OF LOGAN FONTENELLE unveiled at the Hotel Fontenelle on Monday afternoon. It was painted by William Andrew Mackay of New York.



COLONIAL DAMES PRESENT PORTRAIT

engineering, and to have in addition a Life Size Portrait of Logan Fonte- Iowa Elevator Owned by Minneap nelle Now Hangs in Lobby of Hotel Which Bears Name.

CEREMONY AT PRESENTATION

A life size painting of Logan Fontenelle, last ruling chief of the Omaha Indians, now hangs in the Hotel Fontenelle. It was presented yesterday after-

noon by the Colonial Dames of America resident in Nebraska. It was painted by William Andrew

Mackay, whose father was personally acquainted with Fontenelle and has pronounced the painting a fine likeness of the Indian chieftain, Mrs. Arthur Crittenden Smith pre-

sided at the presentation ceremonies in the Fontenelle lobby. She drew aside from the portrait the old flag which veiled it, a flag with thirty-one stars, a flag awned

by Logan Fontenelle himself. The picture stands on the measunine loor overlooking the lobby. The portrait

e wore much of the time. On this point Thomas R. Kimball said: I anticipate the drawing of such fire of anticipate the drawing of such fire to this painting—fire from those who forget that we paint a great general in his uniform; a great chief in the regalia he were on the state occasions of his tribe, a member of one of our first fami-

Hes in representative costume, a Fonte nelle as an Indian—and not as a squaw Kennedy Accepts Painting. John L. Kennedy on behalf of the Douglas Hotel company, owner of the

hotel, made the speech of agceptance for the painting.

"For the Douglas Hotel company, in the absence of the president, I take pleasure in accepting this splendid paintgrain warehouses on the ranch of Dr. ing-this portrait of Logan Fontenelle.

M. L. Fernandes, two-thirds of a mile in presenting it, the Colonial Dames in

Finished Except Few Minor Details

NEW YORK, March 6.-Operators and nion workers from the bituminous coal fields of the middle west virtually agreed today upon the wage rates to be incorporated in the agreement being negoti-The only thing that holds up a vote on the wage question is a complete understanding regarding conditions of a prorun basis. Under the tentative agreement west-

miners a net advance of 5.39 cents a ton on the nune run basis. Ohio and Illinois will pay an increase of 3 cents, and Indiana will advance wages 3% cents. he day is also fixed at a per cent.

MILLION-DOLLAR

olis Railroad Containing 75,000 Bushels of Grain Burned.

OTHER BUILDINGS ENDANGERED

PEORIA, Ill., March 6 .- Fire here timated at \$1,000,000. The efforts of dozens of grenades and bombs on the the entire fire department were required to save surrounding buildings. ring to the same raid, said that it was 'a The fire threatened to spread to the lamentable failure." nearby distillery and manufacturing

The cause of the fire is said to have en spontaneous combustion. Fifty men were thrown out of employment. No one was injured. The plant was owned by the Iowa Elevator company.

London Metal Exchange Reopens. LONDON, March 6,-The Metal exhange opened for dealings today under the conditions authorized by the ministry of munitions. A fair business was transacted during the forenoon. The shows Fontenelle in Indian robes and not Glasgow iron market decided not to hold in the ciothing of the white man which a session today, as there are certain details which must be cleared up with tife munitions ministry before the trading is

Body of W. F. Kelley to Be Brought Home On Army Transport

ROME, March 5 .- (Via Paris.)-The ody of William F. Kelley, the Amer an consul in Rome, who died suddently esterday will be sent to America or board the United States army transpor Caesar, which sails from Naples next Saturady

WASHINGTON, March 6 .- Oiney Ar nold, American diplomatic agent and con sul general at Cairo, Egypt, died yesterday in a hospital at Lisbon, Portugal Advices to the State department from the American consul there told of his death, but did not state the cause.

Parties Stealing Rides on Trains Have No Rights BEE.

others who steal rides on railroad trains may cellect no damages for injuries and ated in this city to go into effect April 1. are liable to penalties under the anti-

paus law. The supreme court today reversed a \$10,000 judgment against the Illinois Centective nature in the interest of clean trai, awarded to a man injured while riding with the consent of the engineer.

INCREASE IN WAGES FOR PACKING HOUSE EMPLOYES

CHICAGO, March &-Thirty thousand aployes of Armour & Co., Swift & Co. Morris & Co. and Sulsberger & Sons con The increase in dead work and yard- pany were given an increase in wage age as tentatively agreed upon is 5 per today which will aggregate \$30,000 a week cent, and the advance for men paid by The increase averages from 69 cents to Il a week for each employe.

ZEPPELINS DROP FORTY BOMBS ON **BRITISH TOWNS**

Censor Reports Twelve Persons Killed and Thirty-Three Injured During Raid Sunday Night.

THREE BALLOONS PARTICIPATE

Wide Area Extending from Kent Along East Coast North to Yorkshire, Visited.

CENSOR WITHHOLDS DETAILS

LONDON, March 6 .- Twelve persons were killed and thirty-three injured in last night's Zeppelin raid. Three Zeppelins took part in the attack. This information was given out officially today.

"The number of Zerpelins which took part in last night's raid is now believed to have been three.

"After crossing the coast the airships took various courses, and from the devious nature of their flight, apparently were uncertain as to their bearings, The area visited included Yorkshire, Lincolnshire, Rutland, Hintingdon, Cambridg-

shire, Norfolk, Essex and Kent." "As far as is known, about forty bombs were dropped altogether. The casualties, so far as ascertained amount to: Killed: three men, four women, five children; injured thirty-three.

The material damage was: "Two lerrace houses partically destroyed, one office, one public house, a cafe and several shops partially destroyed and a block of alms houses badly damaged.

The censor permits public publication of a few incidents in connection with the Zeppelin raid. In one or the principal areas visited a block of workmen's dwellings were demolished. A woman and her four children, all under nine years were kile 1, The woman's husband was taken to a hospital in a serious condition.

An official statement tasked in London last night said two hostile airships had crossed over the northeast coast of England. At that time their movements had not been defined clearly.

The number of casualties reported is much smaller than that of the previous Zeppelin raid in which fifty-seven per-sons were killed and 117 injured.

Eight Hundred Are Killed When Italian Aeroplanes Raid

FIRE AT PEORIA SHIP Number Austrian soldiers by barriages were killed or wounded in the raid made by Italian acroplanes February on the city of Lalbach, according to information received here today. Two high officers of the staff of Archduke Eugene, commander-in-chief of the Austrian forces operating against Italy, are said to have been killed. One of the Italian aeroplanes was de

stroyed. today destroyed the Iowa elevator, An official report of the raid given out together with about 750.0 00 back. together with about 750,000 bush- for numerous violations of international els of grain, largely the property of law by the Austrians. It was added that S C. Bartlett & Co. The loss is es- the raiding squadron had dropped several city.

An Austrian official statement refer-

Church Treasurer Embezzles Funds

CHICAGO, March 6-A piec of guilty to forgeries amounting to \$34,000 in the accounts of St. Mark's Evangelical Luthchurch was entered in court today by David Vollrath, former trustee and treasurer of the parish. He was sentenced to the penitentiary under the indeterminate sentence act.

RICHARD A. M'CURDY. CAPITALIST, IS DEAD

MORRISTOWN, N. J., March &-Richard A. McCurdy, capitalist, president of the Mutual Life Insurance company from 1885 to 1996, died at his home here today, aged \$1. He retired from the presidency of the company soon after the investigation conducted into life insurance companies in New York by Charles Hughes, then a practicing attorney.

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